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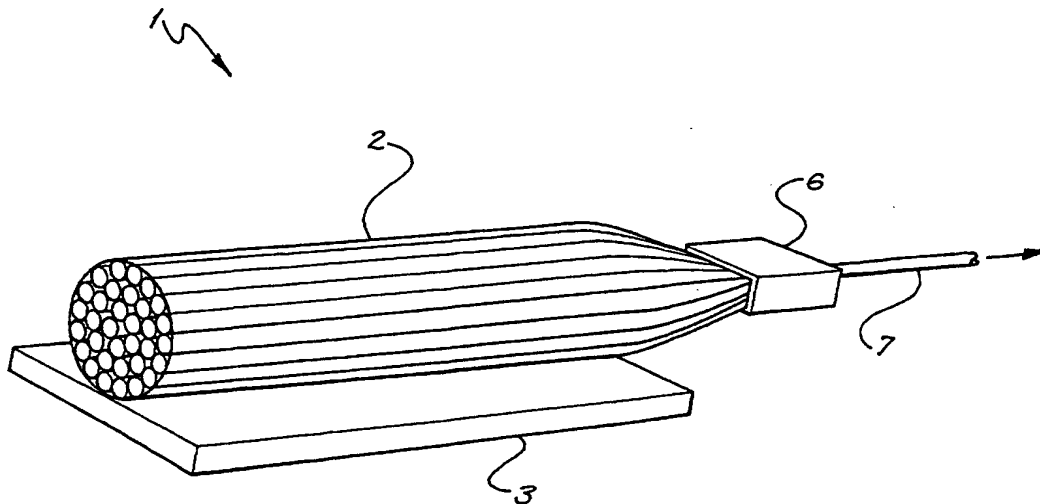
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(57) Abstract

A laser system comprising at least one array of closely spaced diodes (2) emitting radiant pump energy, and a plurality of waveguides (in 6) spaced adjacent the array, each waveguide adapted to lase upon exposure to the radiant pump energy emitted from the diodes.